

# NO GAMBLES WITH BREAD

## Government's Decision On Rationing

### Lively Scene In Commons Debate

London, July 4.

Mr. John Strachey, Minister of Food, pounding the ancient dispatch box in the House of Commons and raising his voice to a shout, declared today that the Government would not risk gambling with the people's bread, and was determined to start rationing of that commodity on July 21, as planned.

Mr. Strachey disclosed hitherto secret facts about Britain's supply of wheat, spoke in moderately optimistic tones about the world wheat prospects for the coming crop year and appealed to the United States to aid in maintaining the rationing of the British Zone of Germany, lest chaos result from a breakdown.

He said Britain had no stocks of wheat at all in the sense of there being some great reserve stock lying idle. There was a factor, not the main factor, in the present decision to ration bread in Britain, but he was proud to be a citizen of the country which had made a contribution of that kind. There were limits to what Britain could do in that respect.

Speaking about nutrition in countries to which Britain was sending supplies, Mr. Strachey said he was far more concerned with the standard of nutrition of the "Allies"—India, France, Holland, Greece, Yugoslavia—but he had to refer to the British Zone in Germany, because that contained the Ruhr—heart of the economic life and prosperity on which the recovery of Western Europe depended.

#### German Picture

Giving a picture of conditions in Germany, Mr. Strachey quoted from a report made in May by Britain's greatest expert on nutrition, Sir Jack Drommond, and his French and American colleagues. The report stated that children up to six years were barely all right in the British and United States Zones.

There was retarded or arrested growth among children from six to 18, and the adult population was losing weight.

He estimated that in addition to the very utmost that Britain could do, the United States would have to ship at the very least 120,000 tons of wheat to the British Zone in Germany in each of the next three months, if there was not to be a fatal breakdown in the 1,000-calory ration.

Mr. Strachey said he had the full authorisation of the Prime Minister for the statement that Britain could not divert more of her own supplies to the maintenance of the ration scale in the Western Zone of Germany. Therefore, if the 1,000-calory ration broke down, it must be for the United States Government to decide whether they would face the incalculable political and economic consequences to Germany and Western Europe, which would follow.

#### Right Step

Asked by a Conservative Member why the Russians could not send any grain into the British Zone, Mr. Strachey said, "If the Member thinks he can get any grain from Russia then I wish him luck."

He said the great exporting countries had no less than 22,000,000 tons of wheat in stock and the total export was only 24,000,000 tons. The new crop year started with an adverse balance of 11,000,000 tons. The prospect of crops for 1946-47 looked good, but the crops were not yet harvested, and he asked the House not to count their bushels of grain before they were in elevators.

Mr. Strachey concluded that the Government was determined to go through with bread rationing, because they knew it was right.

Mr. Robert Hudson, chief Opposition spokesman, said that Britain's wheat stocks during the worst period of bombing

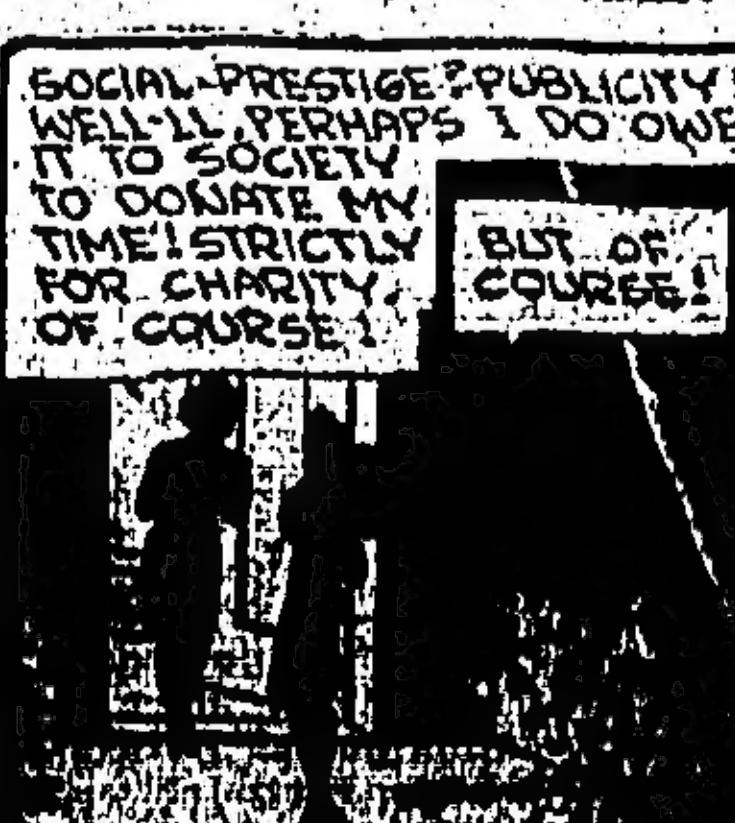
#### BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES



#### You Said It, Sister



#### BY EDGAR MARTIN



## Plan For Trieste Agreed

Paris, July 4.

The four Foreign Ministers, today agreed on the United States plan for internationalising Trieste, the Adriatic storm centre.

The plan was described by delegates leaving the conference tonight as the result of an original Russian six-point plan which was amended by the French yesterday and further amended by the Americans today.

The delegates also said that the Ministers agreed on the Italian colonies question.

M. Molotov, at this afternoon's meeting of the Big Four Foreign Ministers, refused to agree to fixing the date of the 21-power peace conference until the question of Italian reparations had been agreed.

Delegates who gave this information expressed the hope that the conference date would be settled within the next few days.

Only minor "drafting alterations" remained to be made in the Trieste plan, it was learned authoritatively.

One main problem regarding Trieste remained to be solved as the Ministers went into session—the finding of a compromise between the French and the Soviet advocacy of Big Four control over the Trieste autonomous area and the British and United States demands for control by the United Nations.

Reuter.

Washington, July 3.

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NOTICE TO  
MARINERS  
NO. 32 OF 1946.Hongkong Harbour  
Naval Mooring Buoys

The positions of Naval Mooring Buoy No. 7, W. 7, W. 8, W. 9 as given in Notice to Mariners No. 27 of 1946 are incorrect.

Correct positions are as follows:

W 7 182° 7.71 cables  
W 8 180° 7.70 "  
W 9 177° 7.66 "

Naval Mooring Buoy No. F 2 has been laid in a position 113° 8.48 cables.

All Bearings and Distances are from Kowloon Clock Tower.

Chart affected: No. 3279.

Authority: Naval Authorities.

(Sd.) A. S. D. RYDER,  
Harbour Master.

HONGKONG &  
SHANGHAI BANKING  
CORPORATIONORDINARY YEARLY  
GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Corporation will be held at the Head Office of the Corporation, 1 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong, on Friday the 12th day of July, 1946, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving and considering the reports of the Directors and of the Auditors and the Profit and Loss Account and Balance Sheet for the year ending 31st December, 1945, and for the election of Directors and the appointment of Auditors.

By Order of the Board.  
A. MORSIC,  
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 24th June, 1946.

HONGKONG  
TRAMWAYS LIMITED

## NOTICE

## FARES

Commencing Saturday, 6th July, tram fares will be raised:

From 15 cents FIRST CLASS to 20 cents.

and

From 8 cents THIRD CLASS to 10 cents.

The fares will then be the same as they were between the 4th and 19th October last year.

L. C. F. BELLAMY  
General Manager.

Hongkong, 2nd July, 1946.

THE HONGKONG  
LAND INVESTMENT &  
AGENCY CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-FOURTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO. LTD., HONG KONG, on Monday, the 8th day of July, 1946, at NOON for the purpose of confirming the appointment of the Board of Directors and receiving their Report together with Statements of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1941, and for the period 1st January, 1942, to 31st December, 1945.

By order of the Board of Directors.

B. C. FIELD,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 28th June, 1946.

## HONG KONG TRAMWAYS LIMITED

## NOTICE

## SHAUKIWAN ROUTE

The length of tram route between Tai Kok West Gate and the Shaukiwan Terminus will be re-opened to tramway traffic as from Saturday, 6th July, when through cars will again be available between Shaukiwan and Western Market.

First Car from Western Market) 6.20 a.m.  
Shaukiwan )

Last Car from Western Market) 11.36 p.m.  
Shaukiwan )

Last Car from Shaukiwan (Causeway Bay only) 12.16 a.m.

L. C. F. BELLAMY  
General Manager

Hongkong, 5th July, 1946.

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# Philippine Independence Day In Hong Kong

Buddhist Abbot  
On Visit

Abbot Sumu, celebrated Buddhist leader from India, has arrived in Hong Kong on his way to Cheung On, Shensi, where he will take up the post of Instructor of Pali, Sanskrit, and English in the Pali Academy of Buddhism.

Abbot Sumu comes to China on the invitation of Dr. Tai Hau, renowned leader of the Buddhist Movement in China. His party consists of three members, arriving by the S.S. Fung Hing en route for Shanghai by plane where they expect to meet Dr. Tai Hau before proceeding to Shensi.

The Buddhist Association in Hong Kong is arranging a reception in his honour at the Tung Lin Kok Yuen (Buddhist Temple), 15 Shan Kwong Road, today at 1 p.m., when he is expected to speak on the Southern School of Buddhism. Incidentally, this is the first time in the history of the Colony when lectures on Buddhism will be given by an Indian Authority, and Buddhist followers are reminded not to miss the chance.

## COMMITTEE

Tsang Kwong and Ng Por were both committed for trial by Mr. George She at the Central Magistracy yesterday when they were charged with armed robbery at No. 33, Wellington Street, on June 22.

Sub-Inspector A. Soutar prosecuted.

It was alleged that accused, together with two other Chinese not in custody, gained entrance to the premises under the pretext of delivering presents from a friend.

On entering the accused produced revolvers and ordered the inmates to the rear cubicle. They then ransacked the premises.

A sum of \$4,150 H.K., 140,000 in Military Yen, a gold ear pick, a gold watch and jewellery were taken.

After hearing evidence of the complainants, Leung Fu, his son and two daughters, the accused were committed for trial.

Mr. Todd To Act As Col. Sec.

Mr. R. R. Todd has become Acting Colonial Secretary on the departure of the Hon. Mr. D. M. MacDougall for Home. Mr. T. Megarry takes over the duties of S.C.A. The appointments take effect as from July 3.

Mr. MacDougall left by air yesterday on three months' sick leave.

ARRIVALS AND  
DEPARTURES

Arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel on Wednesday were: Yang Man-wah, Wm. Scott, A. J. C. Brown, J. R. Blackstock, Capt. P. H. Dunbar, Col. Geo. R. Hayman, James Lang, K. Mai,

E. Chou, S. L. Zee, Miss G. L. Turnbull, Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Proctor, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Hutchison, E. H. St. G. Moss, Major W. C. Sharp, Capt. J. L. Caldwell, Lt. L. C. Tyman, Jr., Miss F. Durro, S. W. Yao and W/Cdr. F. W. Chadwick.

Departures the same day were:

—Mr. and Mrs. V. Kenniff, C. C. Fung, W. M. Wright, Capts. B. W. Fong and Steve Cheng, C. P. Poon, Y. N. Sit, Dr. A. Stewart, Allon, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Shaw, Colonels Tse Sze-chin and Chung Kam-hung, F. J. Wakefield, Mr. and Mrs. P. L. George Ho, P. Y. Wang, Mr. and Mrs. K. Y. Lo, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Chen, Lt.-Cdr. V. A. Hickson, N. Backovsky, Mrs. M. Redmond, Mrs. A. E. Morland, Major General S. K. Yee, Lt.-Col. D. C. Colville, Col. P. R. M. Miller, H. Mousley, R. L. Cherrill, A. N. Wootten, M. H. Morse, J. Robinson, T. E. Jackson, W. E. Hitchins and M. Ferguson.

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Passengers who left for Shanghai by the "Yuanshang" yesterday included Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Galvin, Miss Edgar, Mrs. M. W. Shoppes, Mrs. L. Griffin, Miss V. Dodd, Rev. T. Gernughty, Rev. Fitzgerald, Rev. Fr. F. M. Quinlan, and Messrs. A. Kild, H. A. Watson, E. R. Duckett, J. F. Webb, A. G. Lang, C. C. M. L. Ouvrard, A. Agnle, Y. L. Chang, Chi-Pong-yang and Lai-chang Jiomai.

Passengers who left for Swatow by the s.s. "Kwaihsang" yesterday included Messrs. S. Jacobson, M. J. Henderson, J. Turner, N. Sun Fan-ming, Sun Ka-chuk and Sun Ming-tai.

Passengers who left for Sourabaya by the s.s. "Tjibadak" yesterday included Father E. Djafaruddin, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Balvoord and Mr. F. A. H. Rooskam. By the same vessel Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Van Isert and Miss A. Van Isert booked for Batavia.

A young Chinese woman, Shieh Si-mui, was conditioned and discharged when charged with possession of 1,000 grammes of opium.

Many Chinese women, including

Shieh Si-mui, were arrested

and condemned to 12 months' imprisonment.

They were sentenced to 12 months' imprisonment.

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## Army Releases Requisitioned Houses

Kuala Lumpur, July 4. The military authorities in Malaya are releasing requisitioned houses as fast as possible, said the Union Governor, Sir Edward Gent, at a meeting of his Advisory Council.

He said he could assure the Council that any suggestion that the military are unappreciative of the civilian situation, or backward in releasing property the moment it is possible, is without foundation.

The Governor added that both civil and military authorities "must get ahead with a building programme" not only to meet the present needs, but to be in time for the inevitable requirements in the future.

(The European community of Kuala Lumpur recently cabled a protest to Mr. Clement Attlee complaining of the shortage of housing because of military requisitioning. Only five per cent of the British troops in Malaya are accommodated in War Department buildings, and another 20 per cent are under canvas. —Reuter.)

## WOULD PREFER DEATH

"I would rather prefer a death sentence," said Wong Kam-fung, 36, when he was sentenced to four years' hard labour and nine strokes of the cane by Mr. T. J. Gould, Acting Justice of the Supreme Court yesterday for armed robbery.

Wong was found guilty by a jury on a charge, with another not in custody, and armed with a revolver, of robbing Chan Yuk-sang of a wrist watch in Castle Peak Road at 11.30 p.m. on May 6.

## POST OFFICE NOTICES MAIL NOTICE Outward Mails

FRIDAY, 5th JULY  
Canton (Fatshan) 9.00 a.m.  
Haiphong (Masbate) 10.00 a.m.  
Formosa via Keelung (Tai Lee) 10.00 a.m.  
Fouchow (Mc Wah) 10.00 a.m.  
Manila and Calcutta (Marine Lynx) 10.00 a.m.  
Airmail for Canton and Shanghai (C.N.A.C. Plane) (Reg.) 10.15 a.m. (Ord.) 10.30 a.m.  
Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America via Vancouver, B.C. (Kitsilano Park) (Parcels) 2.30 p.m. (Reg.) 2.45 p.m. (Ord.) 3.00 p.m.  
Macao and Tsimshian (Kwong Sai) 11.00 a.m.  
Airmail for London—Calcutta, Johannesburg, Cairo, Rangoon, Singapore, Sydney and Auckland (By Air) (Reg.) 1.45 p.m. (Ord.) 2.00 p.m.  
Canton (By Train) 4.00 p.m.  
Kongmoon (Fook Hol) 4.00 p.m.

SATURDAY, 6th JULY  
Macao and Tsimshian (Kwong Fook Cheung) 10.00 a.m.  
Shanghai (Kupel) 10.00 a.m.  
Haliphong (Empire Labrador) 10.00 a.m.  
Airmail for Canton and Shanghai (C.N.A.C. Plane) (Reg.) 10.15 a.m. (Ord.) 10.30 a.m.  
Shanghai (Kutsang) Noon.  
Saigon (Macmillan's Victory) 3.00 p.m.  
Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America via Vancouver, B.C. (Empire Clarion) (Parcels) 2.30 p.m. (Reg.) 2.45 p.m. (Ord.) 3.00 p.m.  
Straits, Egypt and Europe via Liverpool (Teucor) (Parcels) 2.30 p.m. (Reg.) 2.45 p.m. (Ord.) 3.00 p.m.  
Kongmoon (Luen Hop II) 4.00 p.m.  
Canton (Sai On) 4.00 p.m.

SUNDAY, 7th JULY  
Macao and Tsimshian (Kwong Sai) 10.00 a.m.  
Bangkok (Mul Hock) 10.00 a.m.  
Swatow (Hermelin) 10.00 a.m.  
Canton (Kwong Tung) 10.00 a.m.

MONDAY, 8th JULY  
Macao and Tsimshian (Kwong Fook Cheung) 10.00 a.m.  
Saigon (Eastern Trader) 10.00 a.m.

Batavia, Ceylon, East and South Africa and Bombay (Scott E. Land) 10.00 a.m.  
Shanghai (Wing Sang) Noon.  
Airmail for London, Rangoon, Johannesburg, Cairo, Rangoon, Singapore, Sydney and Auckland (By Air) (Reg.) 1.45 p.m. (Ord.) 2.00 p.m.  
Canton (By Train) 4.00 p.m.

TUESDAY, 9th JULY  
Airmail for Canton and Shanghai (C.N.A.C. Plane) (Reg.) 10.15 a.m. (Ord.) 10.30 a.m.  
Macao and Tsimshian (Kwong Sai) 11.00 a.m.  
Shanghai (Tainan) Noon.  
Canton (By Train) 4.00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, 10th JULY  
Macao and Tsimshian (Kwong Fook Cheung) 10.00 a.m.  
Airmail for London, Calcutta, Singapore, Bangkok and Saigon (By Air) (Reg.) 1.45 p.m. (Ord.) 2.00 p.m.  
Canton (By Train) 4.00 p.m.

## U.S. PRESTIGE IN CHINA IS CAREENING DOWNHILL

(By John Roderick)

Peiping, July 4. American prestige in China—at an indisputable all-time high four months ago—is careening downhill at a rate so precipitous that it will take most drastic action in Washington to curb it.

Events of the past week and the views of dozens of Chinese of all political complexions with whom I have talked confirm this.

The growing feeling that the two headed American policy towards China is helping to fan the flames of civil war and prolong the period of economic unrest is gaining a wide foothold not only with the Communists and Liberals but with bankers and business generally.

The tremendous demonstration of public feeling in Shanghai and the activity of secret police in Nanking against the pro-Communist delegates are outcroppings of this sentiment. The gravity of the anti-American attitude was underlined three days ago when Communist Chairman Mao Tse-tung broke a year-long silence publicly to exhort the American desire to increase military aid to the Chinese Government.

### FISTRUST RISING

Last Friday, when General George C. Marshall had apparently set the nation's feet firmly on the road to unity and democracy, both sides would gladly have given the United States anything it wished. That situation has been replaced by one of increasing distrust.

In February American military assistance had fallen off, and political aid—through Marshall's mission—was predominant. Today this has been succeeded by about an equal share of political and military aid—but though both the Government and the Communists share the advice, only the Nationalists receive the arms.

American assistance towards achieving political unity is generally conceded to be earnest and understandable because without a united China, no nation can expect to resume the lucrative trade which the country has to offer.

### FARS OF RUSSIA

Most perplexing, however, to Chinese and foreigners alike, is the parallel stream of arms, munitions and supplies of direct military and technical assistance that the United States continues to give the Kuomintang. However, observers ask, can civil war end despite the most strenuous American mediation if the United States hands over to war-minded military leaders the tools for perpetuating it?

The answer to that one—no one is prepared to admit. This is American apprehensions towards Russia in China.

Because of this fear the United States is conceivably strengthening the Kuomintang's hands. Without this stiffening the nation might go completely Communist.

### THE CATCH

Though America may want conditional unity it just as surely does not want Communist do-

## Day Of Prayer For Those At Sea

The Archbishop of Canterbury has asked that Sunday, July 21, shall be observed as a day of prayer and remembrance for the men of the Royal Navy and Merchant Navy.

In a statement, the Archbishop declared: "All citizens of Great Britain have grounds for the deepest feelings of gratitude to the officers and men of the Royal Navy and the Merchant Navy."

"To their courage, endurance and vigilance we owe our own preservation from want as well as the safe conduct of our Forces to many parts of the world. It is fitting that on some Sunday the congregations in our churches should be asked to remember these specially in their prayers. In order that all may observe the same day, except where local conditions forbid, we ask that Sunday, July 21, may be kept in this way, as a day of thankful remembrance."

It is also suggested that contributions might be made to the funds existing to provide amonies and financial assistance for the men of the Royal and Merchant Navies. The King George's Fund for Sailors, Trinity House, London, E.C. 3, is the central collecting agency for Nautical Benevolent Societies.

Miss Stoll's Frankau, who is employed at the Hong Kong Club Naval Officers' Mess, lost a wrist watch at 9 o'clock last night while standing outside the Queen's Dining Hall, Johnston Road, Wan Chai. A man stopped up to her, snatched the watch away, and was off before she could raise the alarm.

Examiners by the President of the Court, accused of knowing it was a crime against International Law to ill-treat any one in his custody. He beat Stoll with a bamboo stick, causing her

## Rifle Ammo In Box

For possession of 485 rounds of rifle ammunition without a permit Hui Chung-kwong and Chan Hoi were each sentenced to nine months' hard labour by Mr. George She at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

Inspector Allen said that about 4.30 a.m. on June 29, a constable on duty in Main Street East, Shaukiwan, saw the two accused passing the old Police Station. They had a box containing the ammunition.

Both accused were employed on a ship lying alongside the Wing Lok Wharf. They said that they found the box while looking for scrap metal at Lyee mun.

Dr. T. W. Ware is to assume the post of Chairman, Urban Council, vice Mr. T. McGarry.

## Omura Given Seven Year Sentence

The hearing of the War Crimes case against W/O Omura Kyoshi was concluded yesterday afternoon when the accused was sentenced to seven years' imprisonment.

The case was heard before Lieut.-Col. J. C. Stewart (Dept. of the J.A.G. in India), President, and Major M. I. Ormsby (The West Yorkshire Regiment) and Captain B. N. Kaul (The Frontier Force Regiment).

The prosecution was in the hands of Major D. G. MacGregor (Black Watch) while Lieut. J. R. Huggan (R.E.) acted on behalf of the accused.

The accused was charged with being concerned in the ill-treatment of several persons under arrest at the Gendarmerie.

### ARREST OF FRENCHMAN

Ater detailing his career, Omura said that he arrested Jules Alexandre Siron on June 8, 1944. He did not know whether Siron had been tortured. In the street, he beat Siron about eight times, because he was angry.

In arresting Third Nationals such as Siron it was necessary to apply for permission from the Gendarmerie Headquarters and he had to make a report of the offence as soon as possible. That was the reason for his interrogating Siron on the afternoon of his arrest.

### ALL LIES

Accused admitted arresting Tsui Sal-cheung on Jan. 10, 1945. Tsui's elder brother was a member of the B.A.A.G. and contacted his brother frequently by letter.

Tsui was not tortured or threatened in any way during the interrogation, and Miura said that he did not know anything about the torture marks on Tsui. W/O Miura was admitted to Hospital on Jan. 12, 1945, and discharged on Feb. 19, 1945. Tsui was still detained at the time. All the witnesses for the prosecution who had come into Court had evidence against him, he deliberately told lies.

### HATRED OF GENDARMES

Cross-examined, Omura reiterated that the prosecution witnesses had told lies. When he was discharged from Hospital, Tsui was quite fit and well. He did not think that the scar on Tsui's abdomen was caused by the interrogation.

All Gendarmes had instructions from Col. Noma to treat the inhabitants of Hong Kong well and kindly, but as the Gendarmes dealt with many criminals, the inhabitants hated the Gendarmes. Most of the inhabitants of Hong Kong were not law-abiding.

### HEARD OF TORTURE

He had heard of the water torture while in the Gendarmerie in Fatshan. A Sergeant who had reported to water torture caused the death of a person and was sentenced to a term of imprisonment by a Court Martial. He had also heard of another case of water torture involving a Gendarme. Accused had also heard of people being hung up with their hands tied behind their backs by Japanese Gendarmes.

He did not agree that the B.A.A.G. was a serious menace to the Japanese Army in 1944. His Department had nothing to do with the interrogation of suspect B.A.A.G. agents. It was the responsibility of W/O Miura to interrogate them.

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## AIR CRASH

Singapore, July 4. Royal Air Force planes combed Malaya today for a RAF Dakota which disappeared last Saturday on its way to Singapore with 11 service passengers and a crew of five.

The plane, last heard of when bad weather forced it to turn back over Siam, is presumed to have crashed in Central Malaya.—Reuters.

## British Council Head In Colony

"Though the main field of our work will be in China itself, the sympathy and interest of Hong Kong, especially of the Hong Kong University, are vital to it," said Professor Percy Muirhead Roxby, chief representative of the British Council in China, who is on a short visit here with Mrs. Roxby.

At a press conference yesterday Prof. Roxby gave a brief outline of the objects, work and methods of the Council. He stressed the importance of cultural relations between countries as distinct from commercial and political relations.

The objects of the Council were to make Britain better understood and to make available British experience and thought over a wide field.

Among the methods used to attain this was the establishment of scholarships and fellowships at English Universities, to arrange for the visit of distinguished Britishers to Chinese Universities, help in the promotion of English studies and the raising of English studies in China.

Prof. and Mrs. Roxby will leave for Shanghai shortly and thence to Nanking where the Headquarters of the Council has been established.

## TANG LIANG-LI SENTENCED

Shanghai, July 4.

Chinese national currency opened at \$1.78 for futures and \$1.90 for spot, and closed at \$1.82 and \$1.92 respectively. The market was steady.

Gold rose from \$448 to \$446 per tael. Gold rose from \$448 to \$446 per tael. U.S. dollars had buyers at \$4.65 to \$4.74. Sterling weakened to \$15.92, and Australian pounds were quoted at \$12.52.

All the cinemas, with the exception of 11, have taken back their former striking projection-room operators. These reported back for work on Wednesday morning following a settlement between the two parties through the mediation of Major Chauvin.

Asking for mitigation, Lieut. Huggan submitted that torture was the basis of Japanese interrogation methods.

The 45-year-old accused, who was born in The Netherlands East Indies and educated in England, neither speaks nor writes Chinese, and has lived most of his life abroad.

Tang was accused of writing

many articles and a book praising the enemy, as well as publishing periodicals which aided enemy propaganda.—Reuters.

## NAZI ESCAPE PLOT

Shanghai, July 4. A plot by about 20 German nationalists to escape from the formidable Ward Road gaol failed today when American Military Police interrupted messages being smuggled by the heavily-bridled Sichuan guards.

The Germans included some leading Nazis in China, among them members of the widespread espionage net, Baron Jesco von Puttkamer was placed in solitary confinement as the alleged ring-leader in the escape plot. Von Puttkamer was once Chief of the German Information Bureau in Shanghai.—Associated Press.

## Obstruction In Central District

As a result of a raid under Mr. MacKenzie, A.S.P., Central Police Station, over 30 street hawkers were arrested in Pedder Street, Queen's Road Central and Des Voeux Road for causing an obstruction.

Before Mr. F. X. d'Almada at the Central Magistracy, the Deputy Commissioner of Police, Mr. Thomas, asked the Court to take a serious view.

The area of Queen's Road Central-Pedder Street was prohibited to hawkers.

Mr. d'Almada warned that in future cases of obstruction he would not hesitate to confiscate their goods.

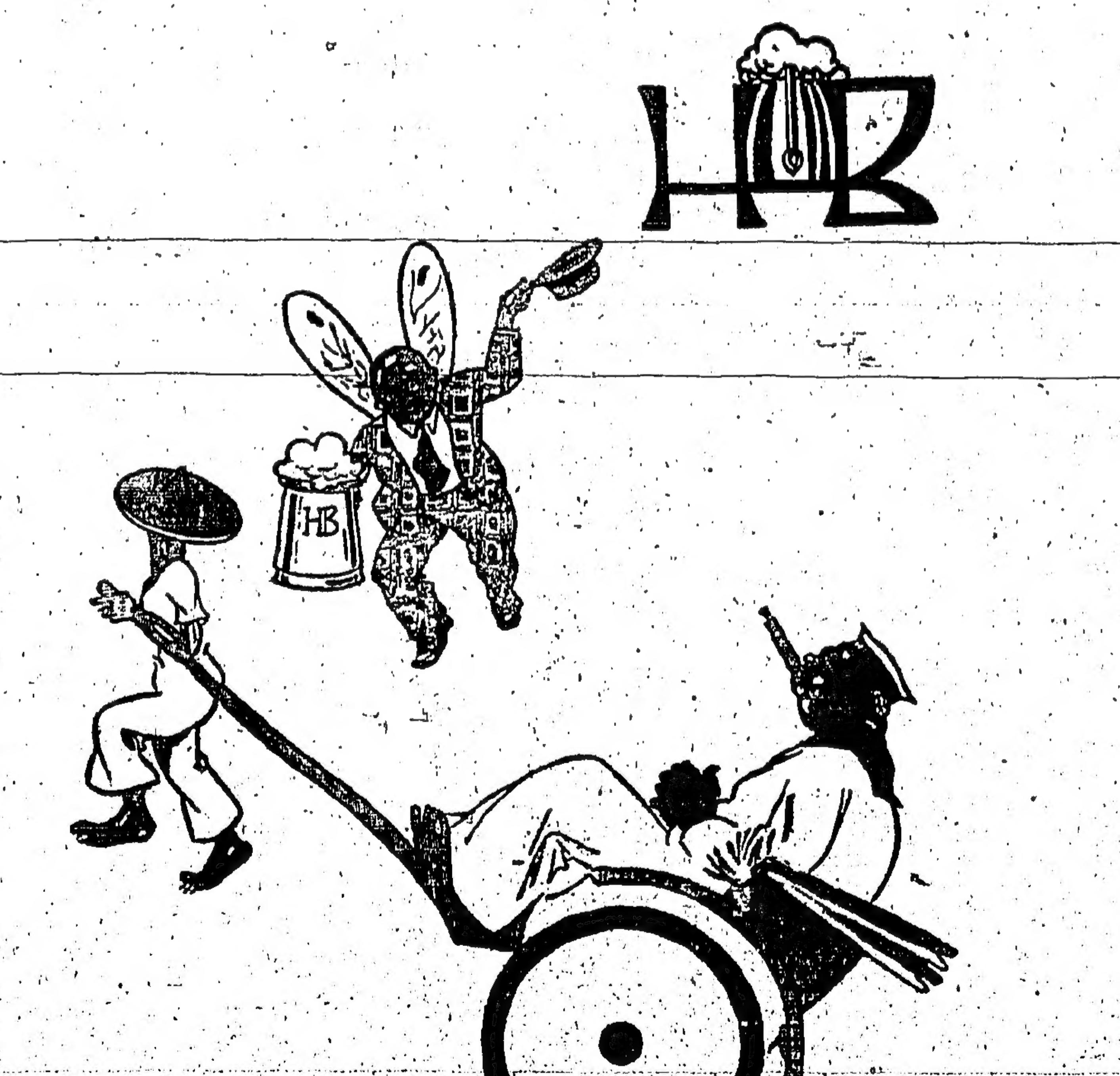
Fines ranging from \$10 to \$20 were imposed.

Two R.A.F. drivers, charged with conspiracy in that they had attempted to release from the Colony two Dodge Tipper lorries, the property of the Military Authorities, were discharged yesterday by the Magistrate, Mr. Horace Lo, at Kowloon Court, on the ground that insufficient evidence had been produced on which to convict.

A fine of \$50 was imposed on Mak Siu 23, and Cheung Yiu-kwong, by Mr. George She at the Central Magistracy yesterday for failing to pay regulation admission price at the Kau Fong Theatre on Wednesday.

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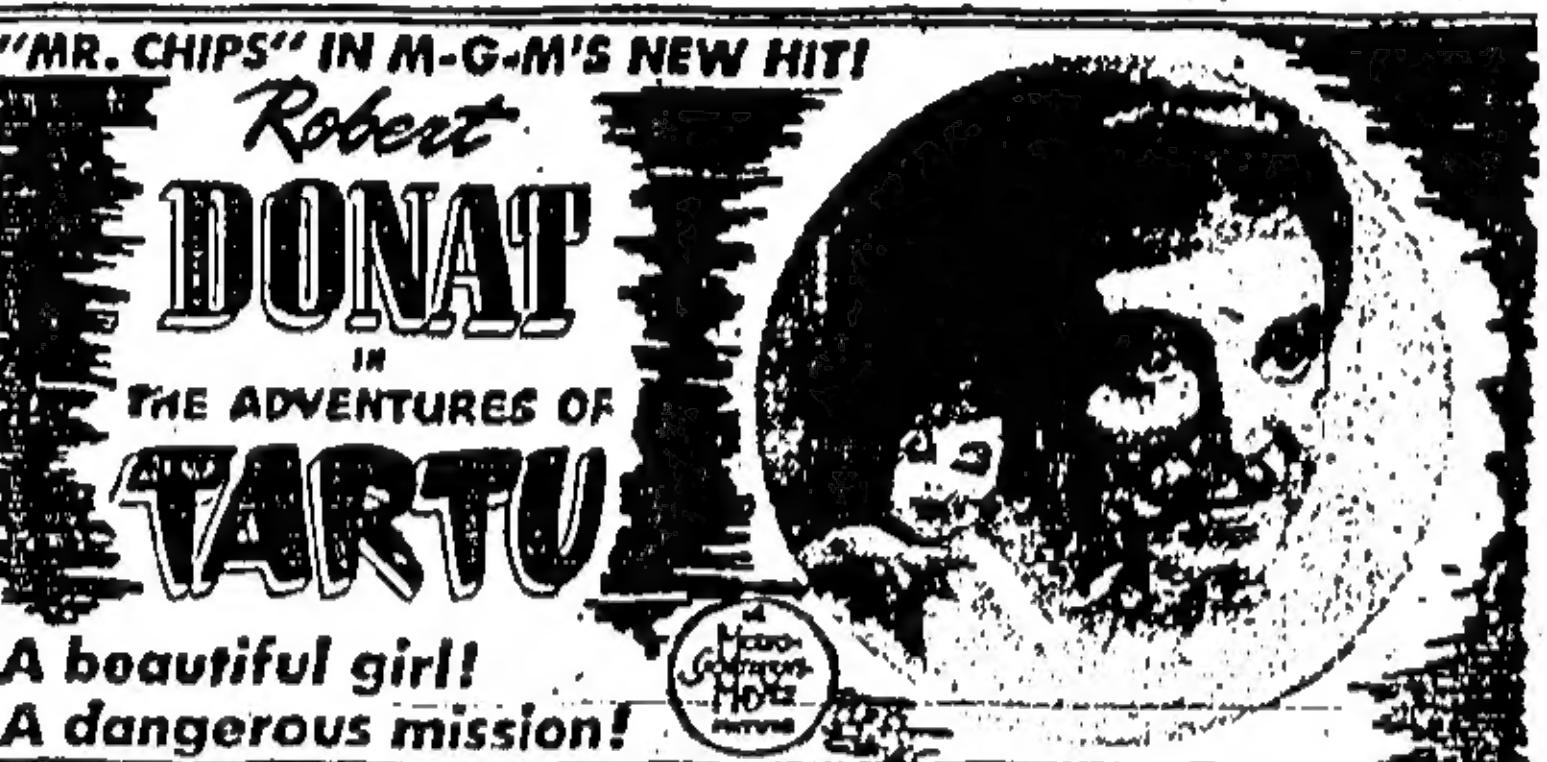


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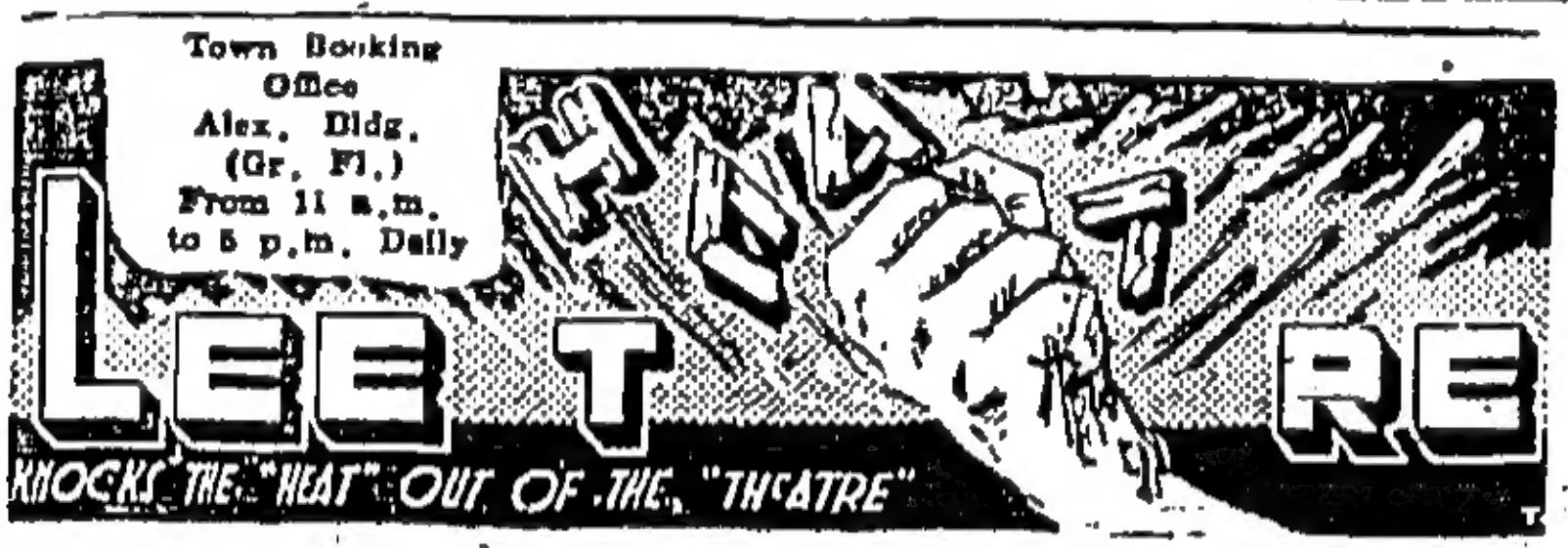
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## Arab Plan To Resist

Cairo, July 4. An official Arab spokesman said yesterday that the Arabs have planned organized resistance against U.S. President Harry Truman's demand for the immigration of 100,000 Jews into Palestine.

Arabs from states adjoining Palestine still receive permission to enter that country to join the Arab resistance movement, in the event that the Anglo-American Commission's recommendations for the immigration of 100,000 Jews is implemented, the spokesman declared.

The Secretary-General of the Arab League, Abdul Rahman Azzam Pasha, said that he had no knowledge of a report that Iraq proposed the establishment of an Arab army, but added that "Iraq is very anxious to fight to protect Palestine. It is impossible that Arabs will refrain from violence if they see Zionists in Palestine continue terrorism." Azzam Pasha said.

He added that "the situation resulting from Zionist terrorism threatens peace in the Middle East, and declared that the failure of the British government to disarm the Zionists will be considered as encouragement to Palestine's Arabs to arm themselves, and to imitate

## Top Jewish Agency Executives On View

(By John Calder)

Jerusalem, July 4. Jewish Agency top ranking executives detained in the British operations on Saturday posed cheerfully for photographers today when the Latrun Detention camp, half way between Jerusalem and Tel Aviv, was thrown open to British and United States correspondents. The authorities laid down one condition for the visit — the correspondents could see the "VIPs" (Very Important Personages), but they were not allowed to interview them.

Moshe Shertok, the head of the Political department of the Jewish Agency, Dr. Bernard Joseph, Legal Adviser to the Agency and Isaac Bruebaum, the Jewish Agency Executive member, shouted greetings to correspondents whom they knew and Shertok called out, "Anybody got today's paper?"

Rabbi Juda Flaman, leader of the World Mizrachi organization and Acting Chairman of the Jewish Agency, who went on a hunger strike after his arrest, is still ill in camp, contrary to reports that he had been taken to hospital.

He is under medical care and refused to see a press delegation.

Some of the rank and file of the 400 detainees in the camp have volunteered to act as orderlies to the Jewish leaders while they are detained.

### Dunkirk Veteran

The authorities allowed the correspondents to talk freely to other detainees. One of them, a Tel Aviv taxi-driver, who was detained in the Rounson prison in Tel Aviv told me: "We are being well treated. The food is good, but we should like to let our folks know we are here."

A German-born Jew who said he spent four years in a German concentration camp, was arrested ten months ago and has been detained at Latrun ever since. "I was arrested with no explanation," he said. "The police found arms in the house next to mine. They arrested my neighbours and me, as well."

Another detainee, who said he was an ex-Serviceman who fought at Dunkirk, served in the Western Desert with the British Army, declared he was arrested in a police round-up seven months ago. "I have been here ever since. I haven't seen my wife or child since I was arrested," he said.

### No Complaints

Andrew Clow, Assistant Superintendent of Police in charge of the camp, who has been in the Palestine Police since 1929, and the prisoners gave no trouble. They are fed on Army rations and sleep in one-hut Army type cots. Most of them I spoke to said they had no complaints about conditions in the camp. "All we want is to be free" is their unanimous demand.

Latrun is Palestine's biggest detention camp — a square mile of wooden huts surrounded by a "double apron" barbed wire perimeter. It takes its name from the Latrun Monastery — a Trappist Monastery perched on the hillside two miles away. Reuter.

## Kidnapped Officers To Be Set Free

Jerusalem, July 4. The Irgun Zvai Leumi's secret radio, "The Voice of Fighting Zion," declared in a broadcast tonight, "Now that our men Yuséph, Sinken and Itzah Ashbel, have been saved from the gallows, the three British officers still in our hands will be set free."

**Informers Seized**  
Lieut-General Sir Alan Cunningham, the High Commissioner, today received a four-man delegation from the Jewish National Council, headed by its chairman, Isaac Benzevis.

The delegation was at Government House for one hour.

The subject of the talk has not been disclosed.

Applications to hold any meeting or procession in Palestine must be sent in at least five days in advance, it is announced today.

Unknown armed Jews this morning abducted from their home in Haifa, two Jews reported to have been police informers who gave away the secret of the Meshiq Yagur arsenal. The kidnapped men are both former soldiers of the Czechoslovak Army and formerly lived as guests at Yagur. One of them left Haifa last Friday, 24 hours before the military operations which unearthed the arms dump. He returned on Sunday. Reuter.

Berlin, July 4. The Soviet authorities last night suddenly dismissed three executives of the Russian-controlled Berlin radio causing rumours to day that the Russians were conducting a "total purge" of office-holders before the start of the city's election campaign. Reuter.

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## Fourth Of July "At Home"

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In extending a welcome to the guests Mr. Geo. D. Hopper, U.S. Consul General, said that the day was America's 170th anniversary, and though that might mean little in British history and much less in Chinese history, it was a good deal to the American people, especially during the last 30 years, during which they had made so much progress and had gained so much experience.

Mr. Hopper assured H. E. the Governor that though the American community in the Colony was small in number, it would give its utmost support in the reconstruction of a New Hong Kong and help to bring Hong Kong back to its accustomed place as a great port.

This year the day had added significance in that it coincided with the birthday of a new nation—the Republic of the Philippines. It ended the 48 years of U.S. stewardship, and she was proud that her protege was now able to launch out for herself.

Replying for the guests, Sir Mark Young expressed their very great pleasure in joining in the celebration of this great day. The British people were conscious of the close relationship linking them with their cousins across the Atlantic.

In fact, they could be said to be cousins in the first degree, and the British were proud of that relationship. In Hong Kong, they depended so much upon the goodwill and co-operation of their American cousins in the rebuilding of New Hong Kong.

He felt confident that American drive, American energy and American enterprise are going to play no small part in Hong Kong's programme of rehabilitation.

## Defence Of Crete

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"There was the obvious possibility, which was soon confirmed, that the enemy would undertake operations against Crete, or he might reinforce his efforts in the Western Desert, which though checked for the present, still constituted a serious menace to Egypt; for dealing with the revolt in Iraq was handed over to the Middle East from India in the first week of May; the Germans were making use of their bases in Syria, which might constitute a very serious threat to the defence of the Canal and Egyptian ports, as well as to Palestine, and finally, there still remained the remnants of the Italian forces in Abyssinia to be cleared up, if possible before the rainy season set in."

### Very Fortunate

On the origin of the Iraq revolt, Field-Marshal Wavell said that the Mutti of Jerusalem and a number of his supporters from Palestine, to whom Iraq had given asylum, formed the centre of anti-British intrigue.

"We may consider ourselves exceedingly fortunate to have liquidated what might have been a very serious commitment with such small forces."

The subsequent Syrian operations further strained British resources, and it was necessary to move forces from the Western Desert at some risk to the defence of Egypt.

The despatch, when it deals with the campaign in the Western Desert, tells of warfare in the face of inadequate intelligence and reconnaissance information, a grave shortage of tanks (he formed a unit from captured Italian medium tanks) and transport.

"The resources to meet the enemy inadequate, both on the ground and in the air," Field Marshal Wavell in his concluding summary wrote. "That in the circumstances that three of the six major campaigns were brought to a successful conclusion, and that the enemy

### RELEASED

Jerusalem, July 4. It was officially announced today that 50 persons detained for interrogation during the recent operations in Palestine have been released from the Rafah detention camp today. Another 50 are expected to be released tomorrow.

A message from Tel Aviv states that hundreds of women, wives of men arrested during the latest military operations, demonstrated this morning near the Government district offices in Tel Aviv, demanding the release of their husbands—Reuter.

## 1saldaris To See Bevin.

Paris, July 4.

The Greek Premier, Constantin Tsaldaris, is expected to see the British Foreign Minister, Mr. Ernest Bevin, again tomorrow when he will, it is believed, seek to mention the question of Greek territorial claims in the peace settlement at the expense of Bulgaria and Albania.

It is reliably confirmed that Tsaldaris, at his meeting last Monday with Mr. Bevin, discussed problems of Greek reconstruction and exchanged views on ways and means of aiding Greece economically through the period of her recovery.

Tsaldaris is known to have thanked the British Foreign Secretary for his consistent championing of Greece's claim to the Dodecanese Islands, which was recently agreed by the Foreign Ministers conference here—Reuter.

## COLONIAL OFFICE DENIAL

London, July 4.

The Colonial Office tonight formally denied that the third degree treatment of beating or torture had been inflicted on any Jewish detainees in Palestine.

It was also denied that settlements have been wantonly damaged and that Rabbi Fishman, who is one of the Jewish leaders detained, has been assaulted.

The Colonial Office said these reports had been circulated by the Jewish Agency—Reuter.

## SAW DER FUEHRER LYING DEAD

Nuremberg, July 4.

Hans Kempa, testified yesterday that he saw the Fuehrer lying dead in the Reich Chancellery in Berlin on the afternoon of April 30, 1945. He also said he helped carry the body of Eva Braun outside where it was cremated.

The stocky, solid German soldier was described by the American prosecutor, Thomas Dodd, as the only man able to say that both Adolf Hitler and his deputy, Martin Bormann, were 7 dead.

Unemotionally, Kempa related how the Chancellery seethed with about 500 persons, all seeking rescue, the day Berlin fell to the pounding Russian armies.

He declared flatly that Hitler died between two and three o'clock in the afternoon of April 30, and that Bormann was struck down about 12 hours later by a shell from a bazooka.

Kempa spoke almost reverently about Hitler. He referred to Eva Braun as "Adolf Hitler's wife."

### Not The Same Adolf

When he told how he saw the body of the Fuehrer rolled up in a blanket with only the booted legs hanging out, he said "it wasn't the same Adolf Hitler."

He was impressed that the blanket used was too short. The courtroom settled in hush as Kempa continued his narrative. He didn't go into sharp details, but said rather thinly:

"I can say he died on April 30 between two and three o'clock in the afternoon. I didn't see him die, but I carried his body out of the bunker and set fire on him. I carried Hitler's wife out."

The others left in the bunker split up into little groups. Kempa said, farewell to Bormann and to Goebbels at 9 p.m. He saw Bormann dressed in the uniform of an S.S. general about 2 a.m. next morning, near the Friedrichstrasse station.

The station was a quarter of an hour's walk from the bunker. The offensive in Cyrenaica was firmly checked, may be considered to reflect credit to the troops and Commanders concerned—Reuter.

## SPORTS SECTION

### Petra And Brown In The Finals

(By Vernon Morgan, Reuters Sports Editor)

Yvon Petra, of France, and Geoffrey Brown, of Australia, will contest the men's singles final in the first post-war Wimbledon Championships.

In today's semi-finals, Petra defeated Tom Brown, of California, 4-6, 6-3, 7-5, 8-6. Geoffrey Brown beat Jaroslav Drobny, of Czechoslovakia, 6-4, 7-5, 6-2.

Twenty-three year old Tom Brown only went down to the French champion, Petra, after a tensely exciting five-set battle lasting two hours. Although Brown is not even nationally ranked, he was generally expected to prove too good for the Frenchman, although the latter had eliminated the No. 1 seeded player, Dinny Pails.

Brown had his chance but the lack of big match experience beat him. He appeared nervous at the start, but quickly struck his best form, running through the first two sets in 40 minutes. A crucial game in the third set was on Petra's service, but he hit out and the game went with service until the eighth, when the Frenchman broke through to lead 5-3, and won his own service to take the set.

This put the Frenchman's tail-up and he began to serve better. Games went with service until the eleventh, which the Frenchman won to leave on Brown's delivery and taking his own draw level at two sets all.

Without detracting from Brown's excellent all-round play, the Czech was but a shadow of the man that had eliminated one of the favourites, the Californian Jack Kramer. He started weakly, losing the critical first service. Although fighting back he could not break through the Australian's high kicking service, losing the first set in 20 minutes.

The ambidextrous Australian, hitting lovely two-handed forehands and left-hand crosscourt backhands, always appeared to have the Czech's measure, especially as Drobny's service never functioned properly.

### Britain Out

The second set was a repetition of the first, Brown breaking through Drobny's service in the eleventh game, the Czech serving a double fault. Although Drobny held the Australian until the fourth game in the third set he never looked like making a recovery, and Brown ran out an easy winner.

All four semi-finalists are American—a unique situation in Wimbledon history. Miss Betz will meet Miss Dorothy Bundy and

partner 6-1, 6-4—Reuter.

### Diamond Sculls Heats At Henley

Henley-on-Thames, July 3.

The Henley Royal Regatta opened today in glorious sun. Chief interest was in the heats of the Diamond Sculls, in which all six overeas' scullers won to enter the quarter-finals.

However, R. Burnell raised home hopes by recording the fastest time—8 minutes 52 seconds for 1 mile 550 yards. The next best was that of J. Sephardes of France, who won easily in 9 minutes 1 second. The other heat winners were John Keppie of the United States (son of John Kelly, Olympic sculling champion), A. Gallagher, also of the United States, M. F. J. Guerci, of Argentina, C. A. Christiano, of Norway, W. Jones, of Uruguay, and W. H. Fullick, of Great Britain.

There was a surprise in the heats of the Wyfold Cup, when the favourites to win the event, the Royal Chester Club, were eliminated by the Thames Rowing Club—Reuter.

Miss Margaret Osborne will play Miss Louise Brough.

### The Results

Among today's results were: Men's singles: Semifinals:—Y. Petra (France) beat Tom Brown (United States), 4-6, 4-6, 6-3, 7-5, 8-6. Geoff Brown (Australia) beat J. Drobny (Czechoslovakia) 6-4, 7-5, 6-2.

Women's singles: Quarter-finals:—Paulino Betz (United States) beat Joan Curry (Britain) 6-0, 6-3.

Men's doubles: Fourth round:—F. Segura and Budgie Patty, beat L. Rinkel and A. V. Van Swol 6-2, 6-4, 6-7, 8-6.

Women's doubles: Fourth round:—Mrs. P. C. Todd and D. Bundy (United States) beat Mrs. Vivian and Betty Nuttall (Britain) 6-2, 6-3. Pauline Betz and Doris Hart (United States) beat Mrs. Mathieu (France) and A. M. Yorke (Britain) 6-4, 6-2.

Mixed doubles: Fourth round:—A. J. Mottram and Mrs. Hilton (Britain) beat J. Ipsen (Denmark) and Miss Lines (Britain) 1-6, 6-2, 6-3. Tom Brown and Louise Stough (United States) beat P. Pelizza and Mrs. Laffague (France) 4-6, 6-0, 10-8. H. C. Hopman (Australia) and Margaret Osborne beat D. N. Hardwick (Britain) and Doris Hart 6-2, 6-2. Geoff Brown (Australia) and Dorothy Bundy beat B. Destremme (France) and Mrs. P. Todd 6-2, 6-1. Dinny Pails and Kay Menzies beat H. Bulla and partner 6-1, 6-4—Reuter.

## Requisition Of Vehicles

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No person shall be liable for any penalty for failure to comply with a requisition made under this Order if he is able to satisfy the Court that he had no knowledge of such requisition and the terms or requirements thereof.

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